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2. (Unclassified - JGO) Delivered [redacted] mentioning Representatives Ogden Reid (R., N.Y.) and Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr. (D., Mass.) to their offices.

3. (Unclassified - JGO) In response to a request from Mr. Joe Hobson, Assistant to Representative W. J. Bryan Dorn (D., S. Car.), an appointment was made for a personnel interview with Mr. [redacted] 25X1A  
[redacted] OP, for [redacted], a former military officer and graduate of the Citadel College with a BS degree in education, at 9:30 a.m., 24 June 1971.

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4. (Confidential - GLC) Talked with Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, about our participation in the security review of the transcript of the Senate secret session on Laos on 7 June 1971. I said that while we would prefer to see all references to the Agency eliminated from the published record, we felt this would be an impossible position to take under the circumstances and were concentrating on those references in the discussion involving the more sensitive aspects of Agency activities in Indochina. Braswell (who was present during that Senate session) said he thought we were wise in taking this approach.

5. (Confidential - GLC) Talked with Bill Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, about our participation in the security review of the transcript of the Senate secret session on Laos on 7 June 1971. He expressed some concern with our position, feeling that it left our Committee Chairmen in a vulnerable position. I told him I would see that his views on the subject were made known to our people. See Memorandum for the Record.

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6. (Secret - GLC) Mr. [ ] OPPB, and I accompanied Mr. David Hessler, of the DOD Comptroller's office, and Major Curtis Cook, of ISA DOD, to a meeting with Mr. Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee. The purpose of this meeting was for Hessler and Cook to give to Braswell a breakdown of DOD expenditures in Laos for Fiscal Year 1972. These figures were given Braswell and are consistent with the figures we have provided Braswell previously. Braswell said he wanted to study them, but felt the provision of this information might make unnecessary a letter which Senator Stennis had proposed to send to Secretary Laird requesting figures on proposed DOD expenditures for Laos.

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Braswell mentioned that when the Committee considers the Defense procurement authorization bill it will take up Senator Symington's amendment (S. 939) placing a ceiling of \$200 million for all U.S. Government expenditures in Laos for Fiscal Year 1972. All parties were of the opinion that Symington's amendment is written in the broadest possible terms and its coverage is all encompassing. Braswell said it may be necessary for the Committee to request detailed information from all Government agencies on all expenditures attributable to Laos [ ] is pulling our information together.

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I asked Braswell about the Committee's request for our views on S. 1887, Senator Church's companion bill to the Badillo bill, proposing to amend the National Security Act to preclude the Agency from engaging in certain activities. Braswell said there was no urgency in our commenting on this bill and in fact there might be some advantage to the Committee in our delaying our comments for the time being.

7. (Confidential - GLC) Informed Mr. [ ] that J. Sourwine, Chief Counsel, Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, feels there is not sufficient interest to warrant their publishing the "Bibliography of Soviet Produced Publications Containing References to the RIS, 1964-1970" which we had made available to him. Sourwine said he would like to retain the copy, however, for Subcommittee reference purposes if we had no objection.

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8. (Secret - GLC) On the basis of information provided by Mr. [ ] I briefed George Murphy, Joint Committee on Atomic Energy staff, on what we knew of the incident involving the arrest of a Soviet diplomat in Belgium for alleged espionage activities. See Journal of 7 June.

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9. (Unclassified - LLM) [ ] advised that Representative George W. Andrews' (D., Ala.) office, on reference from the Federal Communications Commission, had requested material relating to radio frequencies in Canada. Arrangements were made to have the material delivered.

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10. (Internal Use Only - LLM) Accompanied Mr. [ ] OCI, on a periodic briefing of former Speaker John McCormack. Mr. McCormack was alert and very pleased with the briefing.

11. (Confidential - JMM) Called Russ Blandford, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, to say that Representative William Scott (R., Va.) wanted a briefing on the Agency's reaction to the Badillo bill and a general run-down of Agency activities. Blandford said he knew of no reason why we shouldn't level completely with Scott, avoiding any sensitive matters such as operational sources and methods.

12. (Confidential - JMM) Called the office of Dick Cook, White House Congressional Liaison staff, to see if they had any guidance regarding the handling of Representative William Scott's request. In Cook's absence, I talked to Max Friedersdorf, who spoke well of Scott and agreed he should be given a candid briefing. Friedersdorf also agreed with my position that the Agency should not comment on the Badillo bill (which would forbid the Agency's involvement in any sort of paramilitary operations)--that this was a matter for the White House or State to comment on, if comment was necessary.

13. (Confidential - JMM) Met with Representative William Scott in response to his request for a general briefing on the Agency and an indication of the Agency's attitude toward the Badillo bill. I told Scott we took no formal position on the Badillo bill, feeling this was a policy matter for the White House or State. I explained that in any event we undertook no paramilitary operations except on the orders of higher authority. Also, in response to his questions: I explained we had no internal security responsibilities within the U.S.; the nature of our cooperation with the FBI and with certain foreign intelligence services; reasons for our concern over the number of recent disclosures of classified information; relations within the intelligence community, and our responsibilities as laid down by the National Security Act of 1947.

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14. (Confidential - JMM) Jeff Diamond, in the office of Senator Harrison A. Williams (D., N.J.), called to ask for information on Agency expenditures in Indochina. I told him that in accordance with policies laid down by our oversight Subcommittees, we were not free to release this information to other than members of our Subcommittees.

25X1A 15. (Unclassified - JMM) Donald Mowat, of San Diego, California, called as a follow up to my meeting with him and his partner, Mr. P. F. Tilden, who had been referred to us by Representative Bob Wilson (see Journal of 16 June 1971). Mr. Mowat said he had been in touch with Secretary of the Navy John Chafee about his project (getting Federal support for a new type [redacted] of possible intelligence value). He asked me what I could do to push things along with Chafee. I told him only that I would look into it.

16. (Unclassified - JMM) Fred Flott, [redacted] in 25X1 the Foreign Service, called to say he and Marshall Green had been in touch with Representative James Scheuer (D., N.Y.) who was interested in the Agency's role regarding drug traffic. I suggested that Flott refer him to a recent item placed in the Congressional Record by Representative Charles Gubser, including a letter from Mr. Ingersoll praising the Agency's assistance to the Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs.

17. (Confidential - JMM) Talked to Senator Henry M. Jackson who said he was "on the run" these days and hadn't had time to read all the press stories about the classified material regarding Vietnam which is now being surfaced. However, he said he wanted to be sure he was aware of anything in this material that was of concern to the Agency, and he asked that we notify him promptly if we noted anything of this kind.

18. (Confidential - JMM) Met with Representative Morris Udall (D., Ariz.) to whom I explained the reasons for our request for a complete exemption under the Ervin bill insuring the right of privacy of Federal employees. Udall professed to be understanding and sympathetic but said he found it very difficult to believe there was nothing short of a complete exemption to serve our purposes. In response to his questions I explained why limited exemptions, such as a ceiling on the number of employees who should be exempt from the application of the bill, was not feasible. Udall concluded our conversation by saying that if there was no other solution he might have to vote for a complete exemption but would certainly be reluctant to do so.

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19. (Secret - JMM) Met with Frank Slatinshek, Assistant Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, whom I briefed on ChiCom missile testing. Slatinshek called my attention to several "Resolutions of Inquiry" which had been introduced by Representatives Bella Abzug and Paul McCloskey which were of concern to the Agency. Slatinshek said that the Abzug resolution had been referred to the Armed Services Committee and he thought Chairman Hebert 'could handle it' but we should get in touch with the House Foreign Affairs Committee to which the McCloskey resolution had been referred.


20. (Confidential - JMM) Met with Roy Bullock and Al Westphal, House Foreign Affairs Committee staff, who explained the nature of the Resolutions of Inquiry and provided me with copies, of which two concern the Agency: one calling for details on the Phoenix program and another for information regarding covert Agency operations in Laos.

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